



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6792

LCO No. 3938

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING
ESTABLISHMENTS THAT DISSEMINATE EMERGENCY ALERT
INFORMATION ABOUT A CHILD ABDUCTION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 52-557q of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

3 No claim for damages shall be made against a broadcaster, as
4 defined in subsection (l) of section 12-218, or an outdoor advertising
5 establishment, as described in the United States Department of Labor
6 Standard Industrial Classification System Code 7312, that, pursuant to
7 a voluntary program between broadcasters and law enforcement
8 agencies, or between law enforcement agencies and outdoor
9 advertising establishment, broadcasts or disseminates an emergency
10 alert and information provided by a law enforcement agency
11 concerning the abduction of a child including, but not limited to, a
12 description of the abducted child, a description of the suspected
13 abductor and the circumstances of the abduction. Nothing in this
14 section shall be construed to (1) limit or restrict in any way any legal
15 protection a broadcaster or outdoor advertising establishment may

16 have under any other law for broadcasting, outdoor advertising or
17 otherwise disseminating any information, or (2) relieve a law
18 enforcement agency from acting reasonably in providing information
19 to the broadcaster or outdoor advertising establishment.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	October 1, 2005	52-557q
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Statement of Purpose:

To provide liability protection to outdoor advertisers that disseminate emergency alert information about abduction of a child.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]